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Molly Tippen  
Staff Writer

Funderburg, 40, said she would like to see that change.

## Leo Knasiak

Knasiak, 62, a retired financial analyst for Ford Motor Co., said tax reform would be his number one concern.

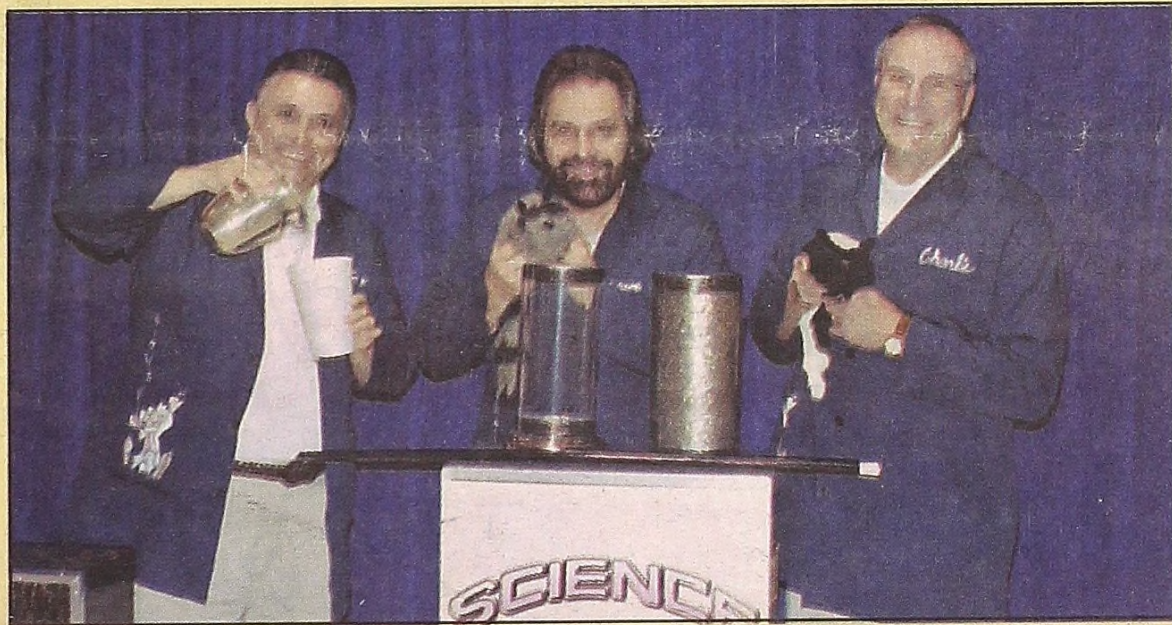
Challenges in the next four years continue to be ones many districts face – No Child Left Behind compliance, maintaining test scores, and balancing the books. But the Romulus district is in a transition at the top –

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Molly Tippen  
Staff Writer

The City of Romulus and EDS have been embroiled in a bitter and costly battle regarding the construction of two deep injection wells on a 15-acre site on Citrin Road, near Interstate I-94, for 15 years. The public dispute between the city and the company was largely founded on the

These three guys have entertainment down to a science. The “Science Explosion” program shared innovative experiments with Wick Elementary School students last week. Here (left to right), presenters Fred Ribits, Dave Bydlowski and Charlie Kline demonstrate how to make rabbits appear and disappear. To the left, Dr. Science Schtuff shows off for the students.



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Judge Brian Oakley ruled that there was enough evidence

"They were both bound over on all of the original charges," he

The motive for the shooting is believed to be a conflict between the two men's teenage sisters. On Jan. 10, the rift between the two men – who were childhood friends – escalated at a home on the 6100 block of Dexter Street.

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# District plans tours, meetings to promote bond

Andrea King  
Staff Writer

Anyone who hasn't witnessed the crowded hallways, over-stuffed classrooms and out-of-date technology of Belleville High School is welcome to take a tour of school.

Principal Kevin Kelly has given many recently, now that the Feb. 28 school bond election nears.

"The school is lacking many types of facility needs—space for chemistry labs, computer labs, storage and physical education," he said. "We're also dealing with the never-ending heating and cooling needs of the building."

According to Pete Lazaroff, superintendent of the schools, the 1926 building was not designed for a ninth-12th grade high school.

"It's has nine additions and originally housed grades K-12," he said. "The infrastructure is just not sufficient to handle the technology needs of today."

But the facility needs are just the beginning:

Kelly, along with other school officials, is certain the current high school facility is taking away from student education.

"Now, we aren't able to offer the right level of technology and in many cases there are space needs for the programs that we do offer," said Lazaroff. "In addition to accessibility, there are many areas of the high school

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that aren't conducive to students and visitors of kids with disabilities."

"Students can't always take the courses they'd like to," said Martha Toth, school board member. "The state is going to expand requirements, but we don't have space. I'm worried about how we're going to pull-off the new seven-period day because while it's the kind of change we need to make, we're not doing it under the best conditions."

"There's a competitive disadvantage. Neighboring school districts have the space and technology, which gives those students an advantage when it comes to the workforce," said Kelly.

School administrators added that the Van Buren Public School District needs more modernization.

"There's also a need to bring the vocational program into the 21st century," said Toth. "Although, with the fact that we have too many kids trying to get through the high school hallways, that aisle space and classrooms are too small and that we don't have enough teachers, space is the major thing."

But with only two town hall

meetings left to discuss any issues or concerns with the \$111 million bond proposal, is there anything that the school district hasn't done that would persuade voters to approve the proposal?

Lazaroff said that this time around the district has done a more thorough job of getting the information out to the community so that an informed decision can be made.

"Our newest resident feedback showed a balance of people who support the bond and who don't. The people who were undecided then took a tour of the high school and saw for themselves, now they're in favor of the bond proposal," he said.

Kelly said he wants to encourage people to see the proposal as an investment.

"It's an increase in property value," he said. "I can't think of any good reason why the bond wouldn't be passed."

One thing's for certain officials said, if the bond doesn't pass the needs will not go away.

"It will continue to put students at a competitive disadvantage," said Kelly. "The students are already getting short-changed and it will only get greater until we solve it."

"I think people in their 50s and 60s don't realize how much more hard work and study preparation it takes to be better prepared to make it in the world today," said Toth. "We've done everything we can at the current site and it can't be fixed there anymore. There's just not enough room."

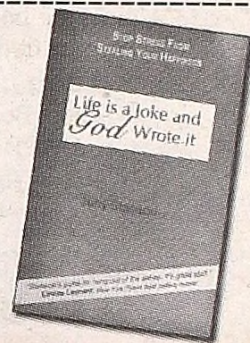
The school district will host the two town hall meetings from

7-9 p.m. on Feb. 15 and 21 at the high school to discuss the 103-acre site proposed on Sumpter and Hull roads, as well as other bond-related issues.

"As a community in general we're at a crossroads where we choose what kind of community we'll be in the future," said Toth. "It's tough times, but sometimes you just have to do the right thing and our kids need that."

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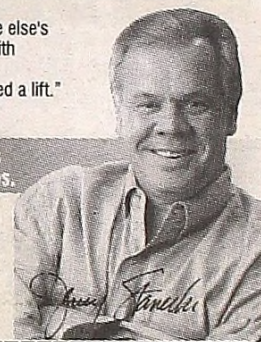
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# Superintendent search will heat up next month

Molly Tippen  
Staff Writer

The search for a new superintendent of schools in Romulus has continued for more than a year and will likely end sometime in April, according to school officials.

Residents, union officials, parents, teachers and other interested parties shared with the Romulus Community School Board members the qualities they feel a superintendent of schools should possess, and now the board members will set about looking for that person with help from the Lansing-based Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB).

"Right now, MASB is receiving all applications for the job," said Schools Public Relations Director Dick Kruse.

"Then the board will screen those applications and come up with a list of people to interview."

Association consultants, who put together the ads seeking a new superintendent, will return to the district on March 15, where they will review the applications with school board members to narrow the field of candidates.

Once the final candidates are determined, the board will conduct public interviews of each candidate. Several rounds of interviews are likely to take place, Kruse said. Though a majority vote of the school board will determine the winner, a MASB representative will be on-hand to answer any questions board members may have – but they will not have a role in the decision-making process.

"It could go on for quite a while," he said. "We have a long list of what we're looking for, and it's just a matter of how long it will take to find that person."

Finding a new superintendent became a priority for the district after Joel Carr, who currently helms the 4,000-student district, announced his retirement last summer. Whoever wins the coveted spot will run a district with six schools and \$42 million budget.

Kruse said hiring a consultant has helped the district focus on what it wants in a leader and will go a long way in helping board members make a final decision.

"You always hire consultants for this type of thing," he said. "They've been able to give us a lot of useful information during this process."

Carr is scheduled to remain with the district until Aug. 30, when he will retire to Florida. A new candidate will likely be in place sometime in the spring, unless other contractual obligations keep that person with another district until the end of the school year.

"Many times a contract will end on June 30, so we think there's going to be a good opportunity for an overlap to ensure a smooth transition," said Kruse.

Right now, there are several openings throughout the state for school superintendents, including four or five here in Southeast Michigan, said Kruse.

Once the candidate field is narrowed, the district will post special meeting dates for all final interviews, which will be at the district headquarters on Grant Road.

## Calendar of events

### March 4 is Constitution Day

To commemorate the 217th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution, March 4 has been declared by the Romulus City Council as "Constitution Day."

The unanimous vote was granted after the city received a request from the Downriver Republican Grass Roots organizations, which wanted to bring more attention to the day the first U.S. Congress convened under a constitutionally limited republic.

### Field trips approved

The Romulus Community School Board has approved two field trips for educational purposes.

The first is a trip to Mackinac Island for Barth Elementary School fifth graders. The two-day trip on May 8 and 9 will include a tour of the historic Grand Hotel. Currently, 25 students, 13 parents and three teachers are scheduled to take the trip. The cost of the trip is \$289 per person. Students and parents are currently raising money to cover those costs, and no district dollars will be expended.

The other trip is to Philadelphia. Romulus High School advanced placement history class members will spend three days on April 6-9 in the city to learn more about the role of Philadelphia in establishing the current government.

Students will pay about \$500 per person for the trip, and no district funds will be spent.

### King program begins Feb. 16

To commemorate Black History Month, the Romulus Public Library is hosting an information session about Civil Rights Pioneer Dr. Martin Luther King at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16.

A lecture will take place about Dr. King's life and his past and present impact on civil rights issues. The guest speaker will be Rudy Baker, a local historian.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road, next door to city hall. For more information about story time or other programs, call (734) 942-7589.

## Election

FROM PAGE 1

Superintendent Joel Carr will retire on Aug. 30, and a replacement will likely be from outside the district. Other top administrators have retired under an early buyout plan that is unfolding during a two-year period.

School finances are likely to be a challenge. Schools business manager Sherri Papazoglou said the fund balance for the school year will likely be used up, which means new cuts may have to be made. Knasiak said keeping a close eye on how money is spent would be one of his goals.

"There have been some purchases made that could have been spent another way . . . (the purchase) of AstroTurf for the football field would be an example," he said.

The other candidates, Mientkiewicz and Robinson, did not immediately return calls seeking comment Tuesday.

Mientkiewicz is a retired guidance counselor who worked for



Celeste Roscoe



Leo Knasiak

the Wayne-Westland School District. He also taught business courses at Cherry Hill High School in Inkster, when it was part of the Wayne-Westland District, and later became a counselor. He then moved on to Wayne Memorial High School, and eventually to John Glenn High School, where he was the supervisor of the guidance program.

Little is known about Robinson at this time.

This school election boasts one of the most crowded fields of candidates in recent history.

Roscoe said she's not afraid of a little competition.

"I think it's great that so many

people are running for the seats because it shows that many people are interested in our schools," she said. "It really doesn't matter who gets elected as long as we have the same goals and agenda – to improve the schools and make sure kids get the best education we can provide for them."

Residents who want to vote in the school election must register by April 3. Anyone who needs to fill out a voter card can do so at any Secretary of State office or at the city clerk's office, which is located at 11111 Wayne Road. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Well

FROM PAGE 1

safety of having the facility, because hazardous liquids would be on the site.

Currently, Michigan is home to seven deep wells, five of which are owned by pharmaceutical companies that process in-house materials, and are not engaged in treating or storing waste from outside sources. The first deep well was installed by Parke-Davis Pharmaceuticals in Holland in 1951.

EDS currently operates two facilities in Michigan, on Citrin Road and in Chesterfield Township, in Northern Macomb County. The Chesterfield site does not process hazardous waste, according to Fitch.

The deep wells on the Citrin Road site are 4,500 feet below the ground surface. EDS is licensed to treat up to 400,000 gallons of liquid waste per day. The facility is also licensed to store 11,000 gallons of waste from containers, 93,000 gallons

in tanker vehicles and another 237,000 in tanks. Treatment takes place at an aboveground facility, and once treated, is injected underground into a rock.

The waste will be trucked in from Michigan and other places in the United States. Some waste will also be trucked in from Canada, though not as much will come from across the border as previously reported in the media.

Councilman William Crova, who has openly opposed the well in Romulus, said he's not impressed with the state's record in terms of groundwater contamination.

"I'm worried about everything about this," he said. "Not just the injection well itself. It's going to be trucked in on the highways from other locations, and there could be an accident. I'm worried about other properties being contaminated by migration of the waste. Other places have problems with these wells, and we've been given a significant amount of information about the problems in other states."

Groundwater contamination has been reported at similar facilities in Vickery, Ohio. That facility has recently paid out millions of claims to property owners, according to RECAP (Romulus Environmentalists Caring About People).

Douglas Wicklund, the president of EDS, said his company's record is a good one, however.

"This is one of the safest ways to deal with waste that we have today," he said.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which regulates the underground portion of the plant, granted approval for the wells in 1998, but a series of roadblocks – mainly litigation brought by Romulus – delayed the opening. The MDEQ will be responsible for monitoring the site to make sure all state environmental standards are met.

The city has paid more than \$1 million in legal fees to fight the well operation.

There is currently a lawsuit filed by Sun Oil, which has a facility near the wells, to stop it from operating. That case is still in the court system.

## Siblings - Both face trial in death

FROM PAGE 1

Davis had unexpectedly shown up at the home, where he began to argue with Roderick and Whitney Poole.

Roderick Poole had a sawed off shotgun, and allegedly pulled the trigger, striking Davis in the chest. Davis died before rescue workers could provide treatment. Other people in the home at the time called 911 to report the shooting.

Poole fled the home with his sister, when police believe they disposed of the gun. To date, police have not recovered that weapon, Lazarski said.

"We canvassed the field based on what (Roderick Poole) told us, but we didn't find it," he said.

Davis' death is the first homicide in the City of Romulus in more than a year. Lazarski said

many officers were put on the case to locate Roderick Poole, but Whitney Poole was arrested soon after the incident.

After 22 hours of searching, Roderick Poole's mother received a call from her son and was able to convince him to turn himself in. He walked into the Romulus Police Department on Olive Street and was immediately arrested on Jan. 12.

Roderick Poole was charged with first-degree murder, felony murder and felony firearms Jan. 14 at the 34th District Court in Romulus. If convicted, he will face life in prison without the possibility of parole. The firearms charge adds an automatic two-year enhancement to any sentence.

Whitney Poole will face five years in prison if she is convicted on the accessory charge.



# OPINION

## Millage is inevitable

Wayne Mayor Al Haidous has said that residents won't see a road improvement millage on the ballot this year.

That's probably a good thing, given the current state of the economy and the difficulty that other municipalities have had in getting even the smallest tax increases approved by the public.

There is a current wave of anti-tax sentiment throughout Wayne County as residents respond to continued news of plant closures, job losses and a state economy that hasn't rebounded in step with the remainder of the nation.

The communities of Belleville and Inkster rejected Headlee override requests last year. In Northville, the school district is grimly pushing for a \$70 million bond request even though sentiment is piling up against it and a flurry of early absentee ballot requests predicts a grim outcome. The Belleville school district is taking another shot at a bond, request after residents shot one down last year. Plymouth-Canton is looking for more money for more schools, too.

Given all that, though, it's a bit of a shame that the city has to look for other ways to tackle this problem. They have most of the groundwork in place to put on a successful millage campaign: they have a defined plan that would address the situation through 15 years. They can definitely show the need, too – anyone who has lived in the community or driven through it can attest to that.

It's been the philosophy of the city administration in Wayne, though, to give residents a reason to vote yes, rather than to force them to vote 'no.' That's a wise philosophy for any taxing agency to follow. Rather than push for a millage, they instead appointed a subcommittee to look at the road issue and decide other courses of action. It makes sense because it's still moving forward to solve a problem that isn't going to diminish any time soon. The more options they turn up, the more ideas that are uncovered, the better informed the residents will be when they ultimately make this choice. It's about the best they can do, given all the other circumstances.

## Energy need isn't new

Alternative energy has become a bit of a buzzword across the nation recently.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm addressed the need to push for alternative energy sources in her State of the State address two weeks ago. A week later, President George W. Bush pushed for them in order to relax our reliance on fossil fuels – and the unstable regions of the Middle East.

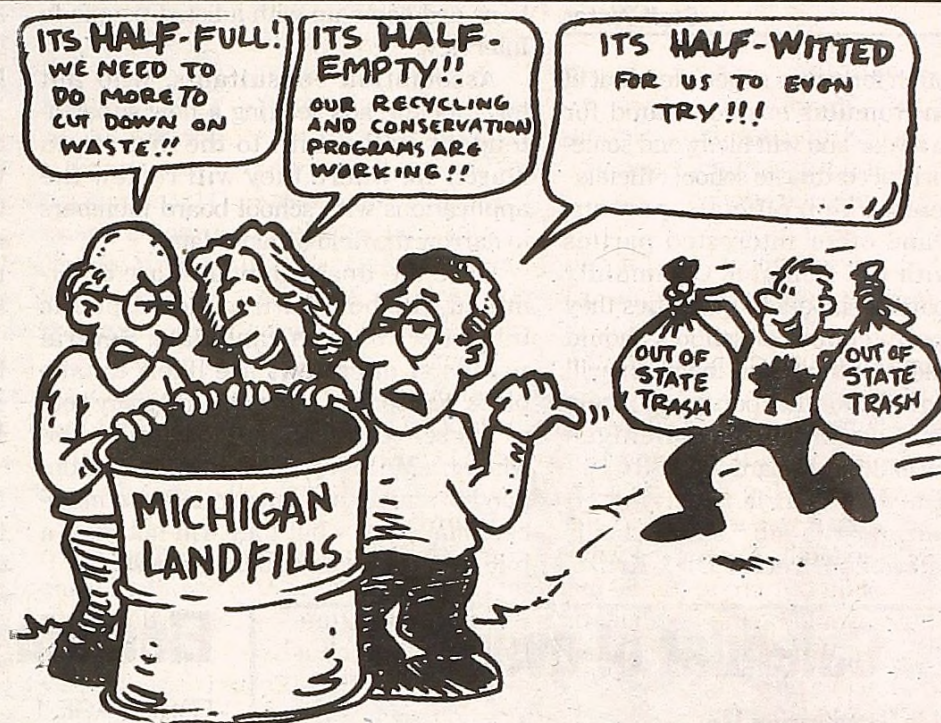
Well, welcome to the party.

State Sen. Bruce Patterson has for years proposed these kinds of discussions through the Senate Technology and Energy Committee, which he chairs. He pointed out, though, that the sources that have been discussed – wind energy, solar energy and even using bio mass sources from landfills – are only supplemental in nature. To truly reduce our reliance on fossil fuels, we have to tackle a form of energy that leaves a profound distaste in the mouths of many of us. Nuclear energy.

The very concept of new nuclear power plants brings up different images for different people. Generation Xers may think of a bumbling Homer Simpson in a torn yellow suit. Others may conjure images of blaring sirens and panicked people trying to avoid some kind of environmental catastrophe.

The reality is that these facilities are far safer and cleaner than ever before. New plants are being constructed in several other states and Michigan should look into the option here.

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## Walking, or riding, in his shoes

There's an old saying you shouldn't judge someone until you've walked a mile in their shoes.

Well, last week I did—or rather rode—as I watched and learned what goes on during an 8-hour day in the life of Belleville Police Chief Gene Taylor.

Our day started off patrolling the streets, which sounded easy enough and, to be honest, at 8 a.m. anything that allowed me to sit around until I was fully caffeinated and awake was fine by me.

As we drove, Taylor looked for anything 'suspicious' or 'unusual'—broken windows, things out of place—something that might give a reason to further investigate. He spotted a Mazda truck with no plate in a public parking lot, which also happened to be the same vehicle that was recently cited, so it was impounded and towed away.

Next, it was time for radar enforcement on Liberty Street.

'Alright, at least now we could pull some people over,' I thought to myself, and we did. In total, three people were ticketed for going faster than the 25 mph speed limit: a lady driving 12 over; a 20-year-old from Missouri who started crying as soon as she was pulled over and a 40-something birthday girl who received a speeding ticket as a present.

After some paperwork, a mail run at the 34th District Court and a few stops to visit the area senior centers, the day started to get exciting. There was a call for a hold-up at the local beauty supply store.

But just as fast as we arrived and Taylor checked out the scene, it was over. False alarm. It

happens, I guess.

Throughout my day as a police officer, I also picked up some interesting facts. For instance: the strangest item that the Belleville Police Department has ever had in their evidence room is a 5-inch artillery shell; the jail had one person in lock-up; the most asked question police officers hear from kids is 'Can I see your gun'; an officer wears about 30 pounds of equipment on average; COPS stands for Constable on Patrol; there is an average of about \$10,000 worth of equipment in a police car; the street where people most speed in Belleville is East Huron River Drive; in police code, 2:15 means location, 2:10 means to meet and 2:11 means a hold-up. The average response time for the Belleville Police Department is less than a minute.

To end my 8-hour police shift, we checked back in with the station one final time, went to assist a resident with a wheelchair accident and helped another officer with a traffic offense.

A lot of people seem to have a certain stereotype about the Belleville Police Department: it's a small community where nothing ever happens.

In reality, that's just not the case.

Sure, my day with the police chief wasn't exactly an episode of COPS, but every day is not the same. Police officers are trained for the unexpected. It just so happens that it was a 'good day' (which Taylor considers slow in police terms) in the city.

I truly do have a newfound respect for police officers, but I must say that after 'walking a mile' in their shoes, I'm much happier wearing my own.



by Andrea King

## Big game is big bust for reporter

After years of planning Super Bowl weekend came and went with a snap of the fingers.

Seattle got gypped, Pittsburgh won and the City of Detroit survived.

What more can you ask for?

The big game brought a weeklong party full of celebrities, fans and characters from all over the world to the Detroit-area. There were parties, charity events and fun for the entire family and then there was the big game on Sunday. Mother Nature even threw in a little surprise with falling temperatures and a snowstorm on Saturday. I'm sure it was just a reminder to all city visitors that they were in Detroit. I wouldn't expect anything less.

Let us not forget the barrage of brands and labels the biggest corporate holiday brings with it. Everything had a label. Every event, every stage and every nook and cranny of the stage had some form of corporate propaganda attached to it—be it Ford, Budweiser or Sprint. At the end of the game the winners were labeled WORLD CHAMPIONS

and the losers? Well they weren't. Even Detroit was labeled a SUPER CITY by the media.

Little did I know that I would also become a part of this labeling frenzy and that the Super Bowl would be a 'bust' on different levels.

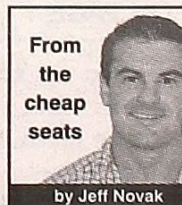
**Friday**

It all started on Friday when I went downtown to pick up my game-day press credentials. I was beyond excited.

I left the Journal office in Wayne, drove to the Livonia Holiday Inn and caught the media bus that would take me to the Renaissance Center—the main media hub in downtown Detroit.

That wasn't so bad.

On the bus I met Alex Ferguson, a lively chap from England who was in town to cover the events for *The Star*, an online publication in England. He was fun to talk to and I soon learned that he hated



From the cheap seats

by Jeff Novak

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# Big game

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people who talked too loud on their cell phones and people who introduced themselves with their job attached to their last names (i.e. Hi, I'm John SmithfromESPNinternationaldotcom). He thought that it was pompous and was pleased that I only introduced myself as Jeff.

I thought to myself, 'this is what it's all about'—meeting new people from all over, celebrating the birth of the new Detroit and feeling like a big shot in the media industry.

That soon changed. Ferguson and I walked into the RenCen. "Welcome to the Zoo," he said. He wasn't kidding; it was a complete circus. We found the Media Center, not without effort, to obtain our credentials—the ticket I thought would be the highlight of my young career. We were each handed an envelope and two pieces of paper.

Like two little kids on Christmas, we tore open our envelopes to see what fate the NFL gods had dealt us. Alex had the holy grail of all press passes. His was in a cool plastic pouch with some other cool things that I didn't really know what they were sealed around it. He had press box seats and access to just about any other place he wanted.

I had a plain plastic card with my picture on it along with the word 'COMPOUND' stamped across the top in bold letters.

"What in bloody hell is the compound?" Alex asked.

It was like being branded as a CRIMINAL or REFUGEE. The credentials might as well have said WANTED or CONVICTED across the top or even QUARANTINED because I had some rare disease.

I no longer feared being trapped in a room with TV and radio producers Sal and Larry (see last week's column) but rather being locked in a cell with Bubba and Moe.

My first question was: Would I have to call somebody to come bail me out after the game? Would I be allowed visitors? Did I have to get an 'I Love Mom' tattoo on my shoulder?

I read through the papers and realized

that, on game day, I was to be herded to a room far from the real action to watch the game on television with no access to the stadium, the field or post game conferences. It was confirmed. I was an OUTCAST.

Alex laughed. Then he teased me a little bit.

Then we both tried to figure out how a Londoner receives preferential treatment over a local guy. I have to admit I was a little embarrassed.

Alex and I traded information (telephone numbers and emails) and we went our separate ways. "If I get BORED I'll call you," he yelled over his shoulder.

Thanks.

I thought that was a bit pompous. I then realized that COMPOUND must mean LOSER in media tongue.

But that would soon change.

**Saturday**

A colleague asked if I could take some pictures for him at the Canton Super Bowl bowling lanes on Saturday for a Hall-of-Fame charity event. Honestly, didn't really want to go and actually tried to get out of it. I ended up going, anyway.

It was a lot better than I thought.

I met Red Wing great Mickey Redmond; former Detroit Lion quarterback Greg Landry, former University of Michigan running back Tyrone Wheatley and former Michigan State University running back T.J. Duckett and a host of other NFL greats. They were all very nice people.

One of the few female celebrities on hand for the event was the very beautiful Sandra Taylor (a.k.a. Sandi Korn). Nobody could place her at first, but further investigation revealed that she was a Playboy Playmate and an actress. Some may remember her as the bartender in *Under Siege II* or from *The Princess Diaries 2*, a brief but diverse on-screen resume.

After the National Anthem ceremony I turned around, our eyes met, we started talking, one thing led to another and, before I know it I'm...tying her bowling shoes.

That's right. I don't exactly know how it happened, really. One second we're talking

about her night out in Windsor and the next she asked: "Can you tie my shoes for me, sweetie?"

Excuse me?

"I don't want to bend over...because you know..." she said suggesting with her hands at chest level that her 'Super Bowl Bust' might spill out of her sweater.

Excuse me?

So I did. It was Sandra Taylor; after all. Did I mention she was Playboy Playmate? The other photographers had a field day taking my picture. I was hailed a HERO among fellow media types. I was KING for a day.

She was grateful for my help and repaid me with an autographed picture. "It's kind of sexy," she explained with a whisper. I'd say so. I'd describe it but this is a family paper.

From that point on I didn't feel so much like a loser anymore. But in hind-

sight I guess maybe I should.

**Sunday, game day**

With all of the excitement and unnecessary labeling leading up to game day, I decided to forgo the hassle of bus rides, crowded streets and the cement-block TV room where I was expected to watch the game.

Instead, I chose to watch the game from the comfort of my own home with good friends and good food. And I wasn't disappointed one bit.

Some of you may think I'm a fool for not going. 'It's a chance of a lifetime,' some will say. No. Seeing the Detroit Lions in a Super Bowl is a chance of a lifetime; this was just another game. There will be others and hopefully other chances to get real credentials some day.

Some probably still think I'm crazy, but that's just another label from this experience that I'm willing to live with.



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# Energy

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Because options are what's needed. Gas prices have shot through the proverbial roof during the past five years. Production is down and demand is up worldwide. The situation isn't going to miraculously improve.

We are probably already behind the pace of increasing demand and dwindling supplies, so we need to start planning and start thinking quickly.

Perhaps the biggest obstacle that needs to be overcome is the negative feeling that some people have about the safety and reliability of nuclear power. That will be a long road to pave, but we need to get started on it sooner rather than later.

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# THE SCENE

## When a stranger calls...

### Audience would be better off with a busy signal

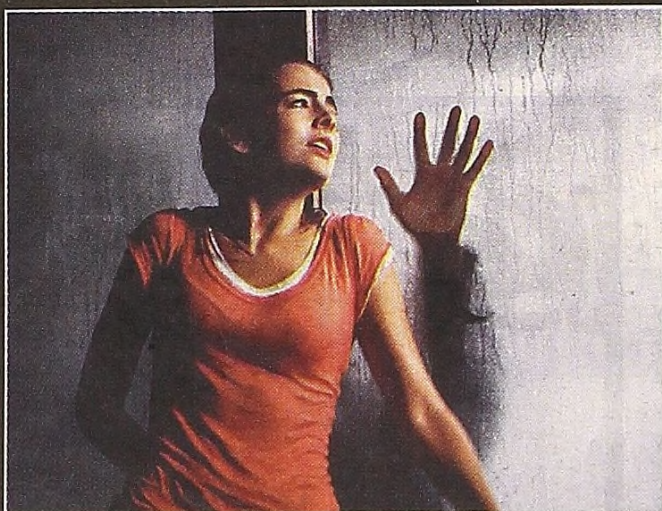
While watching the latest version of *When A Stranger Calls*, a psychological thriller based on a classic urban legend, I got the chills.

Unfortunately, it had absolutely nothing to do with the film and everything to do with an inexplicably overactive air conditioning vent over my seat. The film itself had no such impact—it was so bland and predictable that the greatest threat it posed was to my ability to stay awake.

Part of the problem was that the basic plot is so universally known that it would be hard to put a fresh spin on it. By the time they hit high school, most people have heard the story of mythic adventures of a babysitter taunted—and sometimes victimized—by a killer. In this version, the film opens as a veteran police officer who has apparently seen every sort of horror imaginable responds to a complaint in which a babysitter and the children in her care have been murdered in a particularly gruesome fashion, only to be so overwhelmed that it is more than even he can bear. The victims were apparently murdered with the killer's bare hands; the coroner said that no murder weapon was used.

Meanwhile, miles away, high school student Jill Johnson (Camilla Belle) is required by her parents to baby-sit in order to pay off the massive overage charges on her cell phone bill. Until that happens, she has lost her cell phone and driving privileges.

Her clients for the evening, the Mandrakis family, are strangers who asked Jill to baby-sit at the last second after a mutual acquaintance recommended her. As tradition



requires, the obviously rich family lives miles from the next home on an isolated property on the water in a home that is all windows and open floor plans; walls are apparently for the lower classes. Before they leave, the parents give Jill permission to do pretty much whatever she wants so long as she keeps the security alarm armed and doesn't wake their two children, who had just gone to sleep after suffering from a harsh bout with the flu.

After the initial peace, strange phone calls begin from a caller who doesn't speak or who asks unnerving and increasingly threatening questions about the children. Over and over, the calls keep coming until, finally, one lasts long enough for the police to trace it—only to find

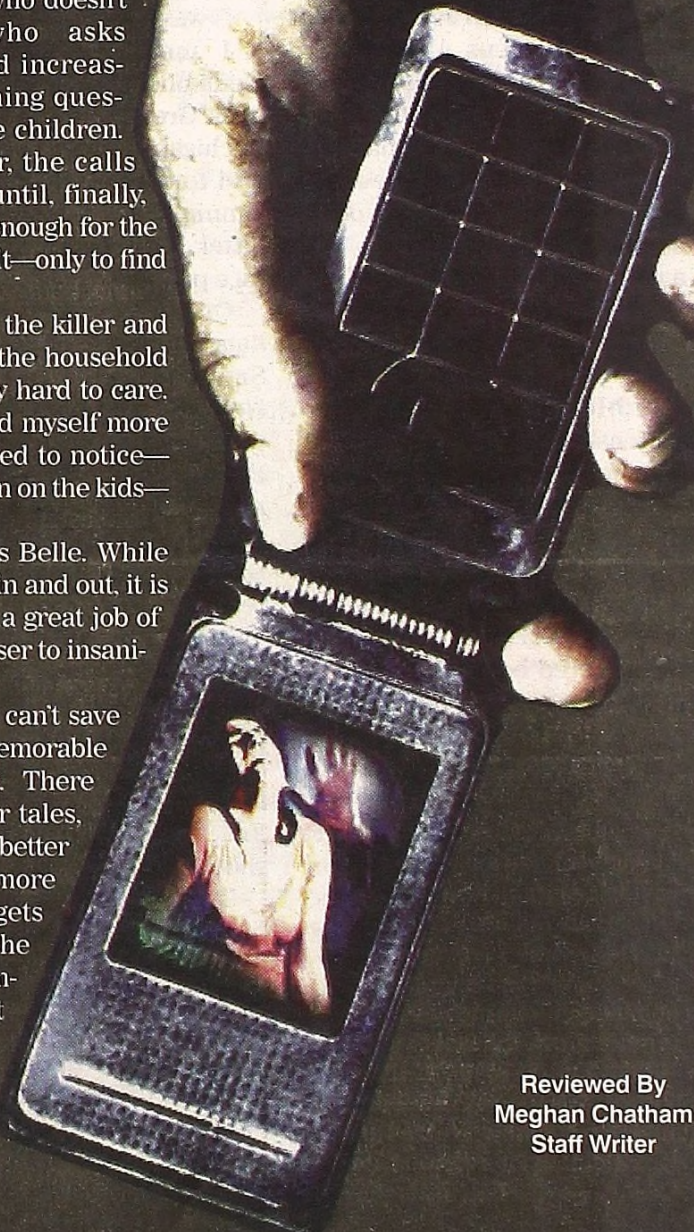
that it is coming from within the house.

It is then a cat-and-mouse game between the killer and the babysitter, and the lives of everyone in the household hang in the balance. Unfortunately, it's really hard to care. In fact, as a former babysitter myself, I found myself more shocked by things I probably wasn't supposed to notice—like the fact that hours pass before she looks in on the kids—than I did on the obligatory dead body.

The only thing the film has going for it is Belle. While there are a few other minor characters who pop in and out, it is essentially a one-woman show and she does a great job of portraying a scared girl being driven ever closer to insanity by the incessant pressure.

As good as her performance is, though, it can't save the film. The 1979 original was, at best, unmemorable and the remake does nothing to change that. There are plenty of horror films based on popular tales, such as *Urban Legends* and *Scream*, that are better conceptualized, better directed and much more original takes on the idea. The film also gets points for figuring out how to get around the ever-present caller ID and cell phone dilemma, but that's about it. It isn't worth the ticket price.

The film is rated PG-13. Because it is geared more as a psychological thriller than a classic slasher horror flick, most of the violence occurs off-screen and visible gore is at a minimum.



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## Air museum plans 'Hearts Go Out to Yankee' event

Andrea King  
Staff Writer

For the second year, hearts will go out to the Yankee Air Museum in Belleville as efforts continue to fund the restoration of the much-loved air force museum.

The "Hearts Go Out to Yankee" auction and dinner will take place at 5 p.m. Feb. 18 at the St. Clement Banquet Center, located at 19600 Ford Road in Dearborn. The event is semi-formal, black tie optional, according to Debbie Stewart, events coordinator for the museum.

"We're going to try to do this every year," said Stewart. "Last year's event raised about \$20,000 so this year we would

like to increase that and hopefully have about 300 people attend."

Live auction items include a Pontiac Fiero, NASCAR memorabilia and airplane flights and photo opportunities in a MiG-17 and a MiG-21, which typically can only be done in Russia, Stewart said.

Silent auction items will include helicopter rides, hot air balloon rides and gift baskets from Busch's, Mac Tools and Jiffy.

Since fire destroyed the Yankee Air Museum in October of 2004, both the museum and the Michigan Aerospace Foundation have been working to generate about \$55 million over a 15-year period to fund a

new museum. The conceptual plan includes a hotel and conference center, a historic airpark, an aerospace library, a restaurant, a theatre, an aviation high school, an aircraft hangar, a restoration and operations facility and an innovation center.

"Things are moving quicker today than they ever have," said Dick Stewart, president of the Yankee Air Museum. "With our first building up this year, I think people will see that something is really going on and the flood gates will open. We'll be able to reach our dreams within the next 10 years as far as the whole complex goes."

The first step in the rebuild, Dick Stewart said, will be the move and restoration of the

2,400-square-foot Willow Run aviation school. It will be moved from the west side of the airport about 2 miles to the east side of Willow Run.

"Now, we're waiting to hear about a grant request to move the schoolhouse," he said. "We hope to get all the money out of the grant, but we'll also be taking pledges at the auction, as well. The move alone will cost about \$90-\$95,000 and then an additional \$150,000 to restore it."

Museum supporters hope to have the school in place by the beginning of May at the latest. It will then eventually house displays, a museum gift shop and a visitor reception, said Stewart.

"Our curator is planning displays right as we speak so we

have something the public will enjoy to get back up here," he said. "Our main focus is to get the public back out here and we're excited about that."

Tickets for the benefit are \$60 per person or \$500 to sponsor a corporate table. The dinner—a buffet-style meal catered by Elite Catering—will consist of prime rib, chicken, saltimbocca, mashed potatoes, pasta with pesto sauce and desserts.

"We're still here strong as ever, but the funds are what we need to rebuild. Every penny from the benefit will go toward that," said Debbie Stewart. "When the community reaches out, they reach out their hands and we want people to know how much we appreciate them."



# YWCA seeks area program volunteers

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is looking for several new staff members and volunteers interested in helping the youth of the community.

Openings for the remainder of the 2005-2006 school year are available to work directly with youth in the schools and after school support groups. Latch key leaders are also needed.

Qualifications for support leaders include a minimum of a bachelor's degree in social work, education or psychology. Latch key leaders must have previous experience working with children.

The YWCA is also looking for

students interested in completing an internship. The organization will work with area colleges to help students fulfill requirements for graduation. Hours can be arranged around class schedules.

Opportunities are available for interns in the early childhood education area, education administration, communications, media relations and computer information services.

For more information about job openings, volunteering, inter programs or any other programs or services offered by the YWCA of Western Wayne County, call (313) 561-4110.



## Gathering of chiefs

Wayne Mayor Al Haidous, left, became the newest member of the Wayne Rotary Club recently, during a noon meeting when new Chief of Police John Williams, left, spoke to the members. Rotary Club President Aziz Haridy, center, welcomed Haidous into the club.

## OBITUARIES

### RANDALL, O. Jean

O. Jean Randall, 97, of Belleville died Dec. 22.

Among her survivors are her children, Jean (Emil) Engel of Brighton and Lynne (Benjamin) Smith of Pennsylvania; a daughter-in-law, Jacquelin Randall of California; a sister, Margaret Rankin of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada; a brother, Jack (Pearl) Hanlin of Manitoba, Canada; grandchildren, Craig (Jacquelin) Randall, Curtis Randall, Heidi (John) Alger, Janine (Brian) Kraft and Phillip Smith, and great-grandchildren, Joshua Parks, Samantha Randall, Helen Kraft, Smith Kraft, Evan Alger and Nathan Alger.

Mrs. Randall was very active in the Womens' Club at First United Methodist Church in Belleville where she was a member. She was also active with the Girl Scouts, the Wayne County Home Extension Service, the American Red Cross and the Belleville Garden Club and the Belleville Senior Citizens.

Funeral services were at the David C. Brown Funeral Home with Dr. John N. Grenfell III officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park.

### BUCKHAULTER, Booker

Booker T. Buckhalter, 72, of Inkster, died Nov. 25.

Funeral services were at Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery in Mississippi with interment in the church cemetery.

Local arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### SNIDER, Dorothy

Dorothy Louise Snider, 76, of Belleville, died Dec. 22.

Among her survivors are her children, Richard Phillips and Ronald (Connie) Phillips, all of North Carolina and Tina M. (Jimmy) Taylor of Belleville; her best friend, JoAnna Lee of Belleville; six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Cremation rites were accorded.

Arrangements were entrusted to the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville.

### STAWARZ, Suzanne

Suzanne M. Stawarz, 69, of Romulus, died Dec. 27.

Among her survivors are her husband, Thomas Stawarz; a son, Joseph P. Leineke of Texas; a sister, Mary L. McClive of Ferndale and a grandchild, Asten Berry of Texas.

Mrs. Stawarz was an active volunteer with the annual festival.

She was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church where Father Festus

Ejimadu celebrated a funeral mass for her.

Interment was at Romulus Cemetery in Romulus.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.

### ROGALSKI, Amelia

Amelia Salamaja Rogalsi, 81, of Lincoln Park, formerly of New Boston, died Dec. 28.

Among her survivors are her children, Chester (Brenda) Rogalski of Plymouth, Marie Adamski of Manistee, Carl (Debbie) Rogalski of Belleville and Ronald J. Rogalski of Coldwater; sisters, Bernice Zurek of Livonia, Jenny Vandemark of Illinois, Helen (Tom) Hall of Royal Oak, Anna (Less) Sidell, also of Royal Oak and Pauline Patterson of Georgia; a brother, John (Chris) Liponoga of Brighton; eight grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rogalski was a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church in New Boston where Father John Hedges celebrated a funeral mass for her.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

Arrangements were entrusted to the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville.

### FERRARA, Samuel

Samuel Charles Ferrara, 86, of Traverse City, formerly of Belleville, died Dec. 30.

Among his survivors are his children, Robert J. Ferrara of Northville; Linda R. Wayatt of Belleville and Tom (Terri) Ferrara of Traverse City; siblings, Mary Frances "Vita" Ferrara of New York, Mary Trometer of Riverview, Vincent (Ginger) Ferrara of East Detroit and Joseph (Nancy) Ferrara of Florida; four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Ferrara served in the United States Army as a member of the 182 Battalion of the Medical Corps. He was a member of the Bible Baptist Church in Traverse City, the Knights of Columbus and was active with the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Ferrara was a semi-professional bowler and a champion roller skater.

Funeral services were at the David C. Brown Funeral Home with Jack Wyatt officiating.

Interment was at Hillside Cemetery in Belleville.

### MCINTOSH, Carlean

Mother Carlean McIntosh, 88, of Inkster died Nov. 25.

Among her survivors are her daughter, Alice; sons, Ulysees and Charles, and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services were at Annapolis Park Church of Christ with Brother

Terrance McClain officiating.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### KERENTOFF, Gertrude

Gertrude Kerentoff, 84, of Boynton Beach, FL, formerly of Romulus, died Jan. 5.

Among her survivors is her niece, Rosemarie Hallagan of Boynton Beach, FL.

Funeral services were at St. Aloysius Catholic Church with Father Festus Ejimadu officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.

### BOWDLER, Sylvia

Sylvia J. Bowdler, 71, of Romulus, died Jan. 5.

Among her survivors are her daughters, Alice H. Cummings of Romulus, Shirley Bowdler and Anglea Slater, both of Florida; sons, Bruce Bowdler of Flat Rock and Charles Bowdler of Florida; a brother, Millard Caudill of Belleville; a sister, Betty Maynard; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Bowdler was employed at Kelsey Hayes from 1971 until 1984.

Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with Pastor Frank Martin of Community Lutheran Church in Flat Rock officiating.

Interment was at Romulus Cemetery in Romulus.

### PENROD, Carol

Carol L. Penrod, 65, of Romulus died Jan. 24.

Among her survivors are her companion, Rick Luczak; her children, Lynn Penrod, David (Melody) Penrod, Donna (Gary) Goble, Rick (Jennifer) Luczak, Jamie (Kevin) Fernley, Stacey (Mike) Hatfield; grandchildren Nicole (Manuel) Ruiz, James Dotson, Michael Penrod, Mark Goble, Amanda Penrod, Valerie Penrod, Eric Goble, Ken Penrod, Robert Goble, Ronald Penrod, Madison Penrod, Zachary Dean Luczak, Christopher Penrod and Gavin Dean Luczak, and great-grandson Joseph Ruiz.

Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Steve Adams officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.

### WONN, Robert

Robert M. "Ribs" Wonn, 82, a 46-year resident of Romulus prior to moving to Brooklyn, died Jan. 25.

Among his survivors are his daughters, Candy A. Alters of Ann Arbor and Sherry A. (Randy) Dombrowski of Romulus; three grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

Mr. Wonn served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He retired from Ford Motor Co. in 1980 after 30 years of employment.

Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. William Kren of Community United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

### MIANK, Larry

Larry A. Miank, 68, of Northville, died Jan. 30.

Among his survivors is his wife, Doris E. (Felmly) Miank.

Mr. Miank retired from Dura Industries in 2001.

He served in the Air National Guard and was honorably discharged. As a younger man, Mr. Miank tried out to play professional baseball with the Detroit Tigers.

Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. William Kren of Community United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

### JONES, Rochel

Rochel Lamar Jones, 25, of Inkster, died Nov. 12.

Among his survivors are his mother, Brenda and step-father Will Burell; his father, Richard Raffin; two sisters, and two brothers.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home.

Interment was at London Cemetery in Milan.

### LEFFLER, Daniel

Daniel D. Leffler, 41, of Romulus, died Jan. 29.

Among his survivors are his children, Amay A. Leffler of Belleville, Marcie M. (Jason R.) Rinaldo of Pennsylvania and Joel E. Hamilton of Florida; his parents Louise J. (Boulis) Leffler and William B. Leffler; brothers, Michael W. (Ruth) Leffler of Arizona, Thomas G. Leffler and Kenneth E. Leffler, both of Belleville; a sister, Patti (Peter) Piotrowski of Milan, and two grandsons.

Mr. Leffler retired in 2000 from Nordic Tool.

Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. Laura Kelsey of Tyrone Community Presbyterian Church officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.



# SPORTS

## 13-0 and counting Northville hoops remain undefeated

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

The Northville Mustang hoops inched closer to a perfect season with victories against Livonia Franklin and Wayne Memorial last week.

The two triumphs left Northville undefeated at 13-0 overall and 7-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA).

It was more than just horse-play as the Mustangs outraced the Zebras in a 65-39 victory last Friday in Wayne.

The 'Stangs jumped to a quick 10-3 lead in the first quarter and never really looked back. At the end of the first they held an 18-5 advantage. They extended that lead with an 8-0 run to put them up 26-5 at the 5:20

mark of the second. Wayne's John Hill knocked down a pair from the line to end the streak but Northville outscored the Zebras 13-7 the rest of the half. Northville carried a 25-point lead, 39-14, into the locker room.

Both teams scored 11 in the third period to keep it a 25-point spread, 50-25. The 'Stangs outscored the Zebras 15-14 in the final session for the victory.

"We pressed early on to get an early lead," said Northville

Coach Darrel Schumacher. "That made (Wayne) change out what they were doing into a tempo of a game that we could control."

Alvin Storrs led the Northville offense with 21 points—13 of them in the first half. Campy Smith added 11. The rest was evenly distributed among the rest of the team.

Wayne star Justin Collop ripped 21 points—12 in the first half—leading the Zebras.

"Collop is an excellent shooter," Schumacher said. "He was definitely a concern for us. We tried to put long arms on him but he still made the shots; he was very effective."

John Hill added 12 for Wayne.

Franklin 48, Northville 64

Northville's 12th consecutive victory was a 64-48 contest

against Livonia Franklin last Tuesday.

Storrs led the team again with 25 points including a perfect 5-of-5 from the stripe. Chris Lorente added 11 and Smith 10.

Some missed shots and early turnovers on Northville's part made it a close first half.

The 'Stangs clung to a 13-10 lead after one period but by the 2:46 mark of the second period

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Northville junior Andrew Manor (10) drives past Wayne Memorial Jeremy Lovelady (15) for two points in the Mustang victory on Friday.  
Photo by Lynn Kirkpatrick

## Run down

### Tryouts

The Friendz Basketball Team under the guidance of Coach Aaron Richmond will host tryouts on Saturday, February 11 for seventh- and eighth-grade boys from all areas at Ypsilanti High School. Seventh graders will meet from 12:30-2:30 pm followed by eighth graders from 2:30-4:30 pm. Admission is \$5. For more information contact Coach Aaron Richmond at (734) 483-0767 or Kim Smith (734) 678-2582.

### Volleyball

John Glenn defeated Canton in three games (25-15, 25-20, 25-11) on Monday night. Heather Lindon lead the Lady Rockets as setter. She had 15 assists, two kills, and four aces. Virginia Butler had 11 kills, while Jenny Swartz had eight blocks and Kirsten Kirk 17 digs.

### Plymouth Whalers

The Plymouth Whalers put a stop to their five-game losing streak with a 3-2 victory at Kingston last Friday but fell to Belleville, 1-4, on the road on Saturday. They defeated Ottawa, 4-2, in Ottawa on Sunday afternoon.

### Gymnastics

Canton placed third (144.025) in their invitational behind Tri-Farmington (146.125) and Livonia Unified (145.575) on Saturday. Alyssa Kelly won the vault competition for Canton with a 9.525.

## Belbin, Agosto ready to skate in Torino Olympics

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

With other big events happening around town last week it was nearly forgotten that the 2006 Winter Olympic Games start this week and there's still plenty to celebrate about around here.

Two of the U.S. team's top three ice dancing couples set to compete in Torino, Italy, live and train right here in Michigan—Canton Township in fact.

Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto, two of the hottest names in the sport right now, are the USA's best chance at capturing a gold or silver for the first time in more than 30 years.

The skating duo just won their third consecutive U.S. National Championship, which earned them a flight to Torino, and just returned home from Colorado Springs, CO where they won their third ISU Four Continents Championship.

It seemed unlikely a year ago that the two would have the chance to be a part of the 2006 Olympics. It had nothing to do with ability, though.

But Agosto was born in the United States, Belbin was born and raised in Canada, making her ineligible to compete on the U.S. team. However, the 21-year-old has lived, trained and competed in this



Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto practice at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton Township last week to get ready for the 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Torino, Italy. The opening ceremony for the games is scheduled for tomorrow night.

country since 1998 while fighting for citizenship. And despite their chances to win, Belbin and Agosto had to sit out the Olympic Winter Games four years ago because she wasn't a citizen.

That all changed when a bill containing

a provision regarding citizenship for aliens of extraordinary ability was passed by both houses of Congress. On Dec. 30, President George W. Bush signed the bill, setting it and the dancing duo in motion.

On New Year's Eve, Belbin raised her right hand and was sworn in as a citizen of the United States of America.

"The U.S. Team has always been welcoming," Belbin said. "From the first year I competed in the US nationally, I've always felt comfortable being a part of the USA. Putting that last little piece behind us feels really good. It feels good knowing that I'm a part of a team."

Since then the team had been barraged with media requests, illness and injury. Yet somehow they remain focused.

"One of the strengths that we have is we can tune everything else out and just focus on our skating," Agosto said. "When we're on the ice we just try to focus on our skating and everything else is not in our mind so that's been the main thing for us."

The ice dancing team of Jamie Silverstein and Ryan O'Meara has been overshadowed by the Belbin and Agosto. Silverstein and O'Meara placed third in the U.S. National Championships and sixth at the Four Continents competition.

Heading to the Olympics is a giant step

for the young Silverstein-O'Meara pair.

"It doesn't quite seem real yet," Silverstein said. "I'm going to be one of those people with a video camera trying to capture it all. It's exciting that we have the opportunity to go."

The two teams have formed strong bonds while training together at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton under the guidance of famed coaches Igor Shpilband and Marina Zoueva. Both are on the U.S. team but in the end they will be competing against each other.

"It's great to be here and skate with such great skaters," O'Meara said about the situation. "I don't think it will feel like a competition. I think it will make it feel more like home."

Belbin and Agosto are favored to win in Torino and their coaches believe they have a chance to win the gold.

"It's a great goal to achieve and I think they have chance to make that happen," Shpilband said. "But it really comes down to skating. There are a lot of good teams out there and it will come down to who ever skates the best at the end of day. It's exciting to be a part of."

"They have as great a chance as most of the teams there," he added. "Anything can happen."



# On the job

## New finance director hired in Romulus

Molly Tippen  
Staff Writer

Sherri Papazoglou may be the newest face at the Romulus Community Schools building, but she is taking on the single biggest issue faced by most Michigan school districts today – finances.

Papazoglou – who took over as director of finance and operations for the district on Jan. 30, said she is still examining the books, but sees some challenges ahead for the 4,000-student district.

“Romulus Schools are going through a very similar process that most school in Michigan are going through,” she said. “Retirements cost more, health care costs more, utilities are going up, and most schools are looking for ways to cut costs.”

She added that the district has maintained programs that are necessary, but expensive.

“Romulus (school officials) made the decision to continue with programs and services, and money gets depleted quickly,” she said. “It might not always be that way... at the end of (the 2005 fiscal year), there was about a \$1 million fund balance – the way it’s looking right now, that might be gone.”

But Papazoglou also said there are some positives for Romulus that she has not seen at other dis-

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**Sherri Papazoglou**

tricts. One is that Romulus Community Schools – which educates 4,000 students and boasts a \$42 million budget – is the big kid on the block.

“The district is bigger and its enrollment is stable, and that’s a big plus,” she said. “I came from a district where there were declining enrollment levels, and that means the finances will fluctuate. Another plus is that this is a hold harmless district, which means the funding levels were maintained after Proposal A was passed.”

The hold harmless provision to Proposal A was approved after 56 Michigan school districts determined they would lose funding because they were getting more dollars than the \$6,800 per student mandated at the time by the state. The provision allowed those districts to levy mills to make up the difference. Romulus currently gets \$8,500 per student in funding.

Papazoglou, 36, came to the district from the Clawson School

District, where she maintained a fund balance during her six years as operations director. She oversaw a \$33 million bond, \$5 million sinking fund, and bond refinancing programs. Papazoglou also won grants from several local, state and federal agencies.

A native of Taylor, Papazoglou said she wanted to work closer to home.

“I grew up in this area, and our school teams used to play Romulus,” she said. “I spent 33 years of my life here, and I know the people, the culture, the community. It’s great to be here.” Superintendent of Romulus Schools Joel Carr said Papazoglou was hired for the \$105,000 per year position after an extensive search.

“Our former business manager left the position on October, and it took a long time to find someone,” he said. “We received quite a few applications; we had a lot of interest in the job. But (Papazoglou) was experienced in all of these areas from her last position. We



Sherri Papazoglou is the new director of finance for the Romulus Community Schools.

were lucky to get her.”

Bill Routhier, the former director of finance and operations, retired after six years with the district.

Papazoglou has a bachelor’s degree in business administration with an emphasis on accounting from the University of Michigan and a master’s degree

in business finance from Wayne State University. Prior to working for the Clawson district, she was the fiscal coordinator for the Downriver Community Conference.

Papazoglou and her husband, George, a program manager with Plastec Corp., are residents of Canton Township.

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## Hats off to seniors

Members of the September Days Senior Center in Van Buren Township recently celebrated Grandparents Day with a Crazy Hat Day. Everyone who attended—grandparents and their grandchildren—enjoyed craft making, face painting, balloon animals, games and other activities. More than 30 grandchildren went to the event. Bonnie McRitchie and her granddaughter, Olivia, Bonnie Bannon and her grandson, Gus, volunteer Nellie Kendzierski and volunteer Margaret Thompson (all pictured) were just a few of the many residents who helped make the event possible.



## OBITUARIES

### MARTIN, Carlton

Carlton E. Martin, 47, of Westland, died Nov. 5.

Among his survivors are his daughter, Janalvcia; his parents, the Rev. C.C. and Carolyn Martin, and grandsons, JayVion and JaMarion.

Funeral services were at Middlebelt Baptist Church with the Rev. Roscoe Belton officiating.

Interment was at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Ypsilanti Township.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### TAYLOR, Anthony

Anthony Wayne Taylor, 47, of Wayne, died Nov. 6.

Among his survivors are his wife, Twilla; a daughter, Antoinette; a son, Raymond, and grandchildren Serita, Shanice and Raymond.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home with the Rev. Ronnie Matthews officiating.

Interment was at Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton Township.

### WYNN, Aaron

Aaron Louis Wynn, 24, of Inkster, died Nov. 12.

Among his survivors are his mother, Nannette; his father, Tony, sisters, Alicia and Alsina, and his grandparents.

Funeral services were at Christ Temple Apostolic Church with Elder Luke McClendon officiating.

Interment was at Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton Township.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### WHITE, Betty

Betty M. (Sherwood) White, 81, of Wayne, died Jan. 9.

Among her survivors are her husband, Jack White; children, Timothy (Anne) White, Susan (James) White, Kathy (Gregg) Woytovich; a sister, Jeanette Sherwood; a brother, Cameron Sherwood; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded with inurnment at Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

### CIESIELSKI, Wanda

Wanda Ciesielski, 85, of Wayne, died Jan. 27.

Among her survivors are her children, Marilyn Hays, Carol (Donald) Sanderson, Bernice Bradford, Elyse Ludwig Bradford and Christopher Ciesielski; a sister, Mary

Jane Stewart; a brother, Bobby Stewart; seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with Pastor Ken Brown officiating.

Interment was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens Cemetery West.

### WHITE, Ezekiel

The Rev. Ezekiel White, 81, of Brownstown Township, died Nov. 12.

Among his survivors are his wife, Billie; a daughter, Tonya; a son, Ricky, and six grandchildren.

Rev. White worked at Ford Motor Co. for more than 35 years.

In 1960, he established the Whits Temple COGIC. He was known for his dedication to visiting the sick and incarcerated.

Funeral services were at Pentecostal Temple COGIC with Bishop Elder Isaac King officiating.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### MCNEIL, William

William "Mike" McNeil, 54, of Romulus, died Jan. 30.

Among his survivors are his wife, Ruth A. North McNeil; his daughter, Jennifer Lynn McNeil; sisters, Nita McKenzie of Wayne, Edith Diem-May of Wayne, Pamela McNeil and Paula McNeil, both of Belleville; an aunt, Eloise (Paul) Flournoy of Georgia, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home in Westland with Pastor Bob McDonald officiating.

Interment was at Arborcrest Memorial Park in Ann Arbor.

### JUSTIN, Sharon

Sharon Lee Justin, 62, of Rockwood, died Jan. 20.

Among her survivors are her husband, Joseph; children, Joseph (Cheryl) Justin Jr., George (Shiela) Justin and Brett (Susie) Justin, brothers Robert and Russ Brand, and seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Justin retired from the Van Buren School District where she drove a school bus for many years. She was an insurance agent and helped organize the high school wrestling booster club.

Funeral services were at the Martenson Funeral Home in Trenton.

### WILLIAMS, Deborah

Deborah P. Williams, 53, of Inkster, died Nov. 30.

Among her survivors are her children, Sherita and Steven; her parents, Fred and Helen, and a grandson, Steven Jr.

Funeral services were at Greater First

Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. W.W. Goode officiating.

Ms. Williams was employed by Powertrain for more than 31 years. She was also president of Sista's Travel Club.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### ELROD, Ned

Ned Elrod, 79, of Inkster, died Nov. 7.

Among his survivors is his dear friend, Katie Byrd.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home with the Rev. Arthur Willis officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.

### SNOW, Ruby

Ruby Marie Snow, 91, of Livonia, died Jan. 30.

Among her survivors are her children, John Milburn Snow, Charles "Chuck" Snow and Patricia Bennett, of Wayne; 12 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Graveside services were at Elm Grove Cemetery in Murray, KY with the Rev. Paul Creech officiating.

Local arrangements were entrusted to the Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

### MOSELY, Claudette

Claudette Mosely, 67, of Inkster, died Nov. 26.

Among her survivors are her sons, Desmond, Roberts and Rodney, and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Mosely was employed at GM Hydromatic in Willow Run.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home with Elder Ronald Springer officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.

### DAVIS, Claude

Claude T. Davis, 84, of Inkster, died Nov. 23.

Among his survivors are his wife of 63 years, Juanita; a sister, Elnora; a son, Michael; daughters, Rose Marie, Edwina, Adrienne and Jennie; 18 grandchildren, and 29 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at Ecclesia Christian Ministries of Detroit with the Rev. Lannette Mayberry officiating.

Interment was at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### ANDERSON, Claude

Claude D. Anderson, 86, died Feb. 1.

Among his survivors is his wife of more than 60 years, Lottie; his sons, Richard Anderson and Charles (Gloria) Anderson;

stepchildren, Virginia Brooks, Annette Crays, Harry (Dorothy) Fill, Ray (Kay) Fill, Loretta (Bernard) Toporek, James (Joy) Fill, Gerald (Fran) Fill and Robert (Joan) Fill; 31 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Anderson was the former owner of Claude D. Anderson Plumbing and Heating.

Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home in Westland.

### RUSSELL, Dorothy

Dorothy "Cherry" Russell, 63, of Romulus, died Sept. 18.

Among her survivors are her husband of 36 years, Louis; a daughter, Alicia; two sisters, and her grandson, Louis.

Mrs. Russell was a Most Worthy Matron and District Ruler of the Order of Eastern Star.

Funeral services were at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Hardy Johnson officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home in Inkster.

### HORTON, Cora

Cora F. Horton, 102, of Ypsilanti, a resident of Belleville for more than 80 years, died Dec. 25.

Among her survivors is her sister, Evelyn Anguilm of Marquette, several nieces and nephews and a special niece Pat (Frank) Korgel of Belleville.

Mrs. Horton was a member of First United Methodist Church in Belleville where she was very active. She attended Cleary College and was a member of the Belleville Professional Women's Club for more than 50 years. She was a former member of the Astral Rebekah Lodge.

A memorial service took place at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville.

Interment of cremains was at Denton Cemetery.

### DAVIDSON, Lucille

Lucille Davidson, 95, of Belleville, died Jan. 8.

Among her survivors are her children, Ann (Jim) Edwards of Belleville, James (Alice) Davidson, Jr. of Ohio, Jo (Merry) Davidson of Tennessee, Jon (Pat) Davidson of Florida; nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home in Romulus with Pastor Gerald "Jeff" Reitz of the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Wyandotte officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.

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SPORTS

Tigers win round 1 against Eagles

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

Mega Red Conference foes Belleville and Romulus will probably clash three times this season. The two rivals met for the first time last Tuesday, and the Tigers took round one.

It was far from being a knock-out, though, as Belleville came away with the 52-49 victory.

The Tigers scored the first basket of the game but then trailed the rest of the way. They never recaptured the lead until about the 5:00 mark of the fourth.

Romulus didn't give in either. The Eagles were down by one point and had possession of the ball with about seven seconds left to play, but a costly turnover put the ball back in the hands of Belleville. The Tigers made a quick score before the buzzer that

gave them the three-point victory. "We just didn't play very well," said Romulus coach Nate Oats. "We played well in Saginaw and took a big step backwards against Belleville. They killed us on offensive boards. They had 17 offensive boards; that's where they hurt us the most."

After Belleville's game-opening basket, Romulus got things going, taking a 12-7 lead by the end of the first quarter. Romulus extended the lead to 30-19 with about 3:00 left in the half.

At that point Belleville righted its offense and finished the period with a 7-0 run. The surge was good enough to win the quarter, 19-18, but Romulus maintained a four-point advantage, 30-26, heading into the half-time break.

Romulus' Tommie Clark and Dominique Buckley scored the first two baskets of the third

frame, making it an eight-point game, 34-26. Belleville got back on track again, outscoring the Eagles, 12-6, the rest of the way. The run closed the gap to two, 40-38, before entering the final eight minutes.

The final session was the Leon Freeman show, according to Belleville coach Mike Krogel.

He said the senior forward scored 12 of his game-leading 33 points in the finale, including two big triples to give Belleville the lead and the eventual victory.

Freeman finished the night with 12 rebounds, too, to record a double-double.

"We were being a little impatient at times and didn't handle the their pick-and-roll real well," Krogel said about the slow start. "Once we settled down we were all right."

The contest pitted Belleville against former teammate, now an Eagle, Tommie Clark.

Krogel said it was probably harder for Clark to deal with the match-up more than his team.

"He's the one at the new school," he said. "He probably wanted to have a good game. He led them in scoring but he missed four free throws at the end of the game that hurt them."

Tommie Clark finished with 11.

**Romulus 54, Ypsilanti 51**

Tommie Clark and the rest of the Eagles bounced back against Ypsilanti on Friday night, defeating the



Belleville players defend against Romulus 6-foot-9 junior center Devin Searcy in their 52-49 victory last Tuesday.

Braves, 54-51.

Clark scored 17 and Devin Searcy added 10 and blocked 11 shots (six in the fourth quarter) in the victory.

Romulus held an 11-5 lead at the end of one. The teams traded leads in the second with Braves ahead, 25-21 at the half. Ypsi had opportunities but Searcy used his size to block four shots—two on their offensive side of the court and laid them up for easy baskets, giving Romulus a six-point lead, 47-41. The Braves had few more opportunities off of Romulus turnovers but the Eagles put the game away.

Romulus hosts Monroe at 7 p.m. on Friday.

**Belleville 69, River Rouge 45**

Belleville won Friday against River Rouge, 69-45.

The victory gives Belleville a two-game lead in the Mega Red.

Krogel said they jumped out to a quick 11-4 lead but got a little sloppy in the second, allowing River Rouge to close the gap, 15-14. Belleville straightened up and went on an 8-0 run to finish the half with a 32-22 lead.

Belleville outscored Rouge 35-23 in the second half for the win.

Freeman led with 21 points and had eight rebounds, four assists and three steals. Carlos Clark finished the night with 13 points.

Belleville hosts Willow Run at 7 p.m. on Friday for their Coming Home game.

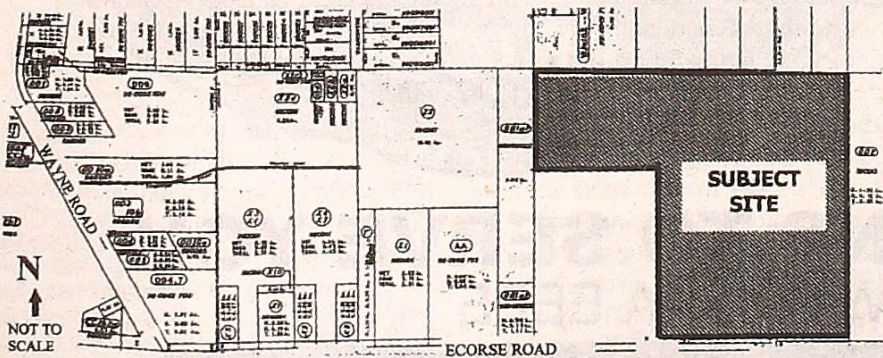


Romulus Tommie Clark makes a layup against Belleville. He led the Eagles with 11 points in the loss.

CITY OF ROMULUS  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended (The City and Village Zoning Act), notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, for the purpose of considering a request to permit five (5) lots within the proposed development to be less than 120 feet in depth. The Subdivision Regulations require a minimum depth of 120 feet. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The petitioner desires to construct a 49-unit single-family site condominium cluster development on 33.3+ acres of land located on the north side of Ecorse Road, east of Wayne Road DP#s 82-80-0016-99-0012-000 and 82-80-0015-99-0070-702. The parcels are zoned R1 A, Single Family Residential District. Cluster residential developments are permitted in the R1A, Single Family Residential District, subject to Special Land Use Approval. Special Land Use Approval for the cluster residential development was granted by the City Council on Monday, January 9, 2006. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.



All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Wednesday, February 22, 2006, and should be addressed to Cynthia I. Lyon, AICP, City Planner, Economic Development Department, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

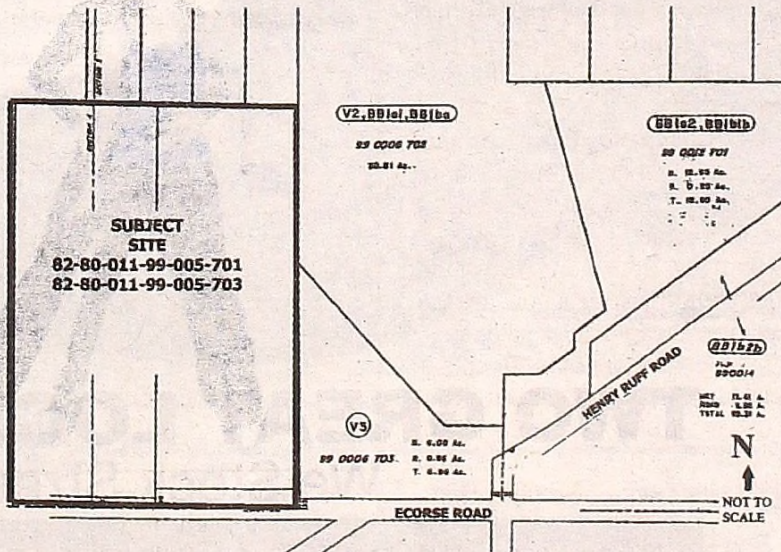
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City Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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CITY OF ROMULUS  
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING  
ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL LAND USE  
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Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended (The City and Village Zoning Act), notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use proposal. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Planning Commission has set the public hearing to consider PC-2005-043/044 a request to establish a place of worship. This site is located on the north side of Ecorse Road east of Wayne Road DP#s 82-80-0011-99-0005-701 and 82-80-011-99-0005-703. The parcels are zoned, R1-A, Single Family Residential District. Places of worship are permitted in the R1-A, Single Family Residential District subject to Special Land Use Approval. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.



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## SPORTS

# Inkster topples short handed Robichaud

Jeff Novak  
Staff Writer

The Inkster Vikings defeated the Dearborn Heights Robichaud Bulldogs, 56-42, in a rivalry match-up on Friday.

The score wasn't as close as it could have been if the entire Bulldog squad was on the hardwood. They had four starters idled on the sidelines.

"We had three starters out for grades and one starter out for disciplinary reasons," said Robichaud Coach Crump. "I thought we should have had a better game and I think we kind of gave up at the end. With the guys that we had I think we should have made it a better game."

Regardless of the situation both sides played their hearts out.

Inkster surged to an 8-0 lead in the first two minutes of play and never looked back. The Vikes led, 15-9, at the end of the first. Robichaud nipped at the Vikings heels when DeAngelo Penman nailed a shot with about 2:00 left in the second quarter, making it a 25-22 game. But that would be the closest the Dogs would get. Inkster went on a 6-0 run to close out the half, 29-24.

Inkster opened the third with an 11-2 run to put them up 40-26. Robichaud put together a 7-4 run in the last minutes but the damage was already done. Inkster led, 44-33 after three sessions.

Robichaud didn't score a single basket in the final frame, relying on nine hoops from the charity stripe. J.J. Snelling opened the fourth with a huge triple for Inkster. Antonio Green hit three later in the quarter to give his Vikes and outstanding 52-38 lead.

Although the offense was on point, Inkster coach Gerald Paschal always promotes his defense as the key factor in victories.

"We had to play out type of defense—scatter defense," he said. "With them not having some of their players played right into our defense. So we just went four quarters and out-worked everybody; we had more bodies than they did."

He said win or lose the most important thing is academics.

"Coach Crump is a hero in my book," Paschal. "He sat boys down for bad grades rather than let them play in a rivalry game. To me that is the whole message of the game. This is a big game to do that in and I respect him



Inkster's Felix Kizer looks for an outlet against Robichaud on Friday.

for doing it. It took a lot of courage."

Green led the Vikings with 16 and Alphonso Lewis added 13. Jarvis Greenhill headed Robichaud's offense with 15.

"I just came out like I always do and play hard," Lewis said. "It was important to play good defense in order to get our offense going."

**Inkster 60, Dearborn 55**

Inkster knocked off

Dearborn, 60-55, last Tuesday night.

Green had 16 points, five rebounds and five assists. Brown added 12 points and 11 boards. Lewis also contributed with 12 points and grabbed seven rebounds and had four steals. Felix Kizer had nine points. The Vikings finished the game going 8-of-8 from the free throw line to seal the victory, according to Paschal.

## Mustangs

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lead, 20-17. Storrs stole an inbounds pass and was fouled while making the basket. He converted the three-point play to knot the game at 20. Northville squeaked out a 26-25 lead at the half.

After the intermission, the Mustangs went on a 6-0 run. Storrs nailed a jumper at the third-period buzzer, giving Northville a 13-point lead, 49-34. From there Northville held on for the 64-48 victory.

Unlike previous reports, Northville's 13-0 start is not its best start in the school's 141-year history. In fact, Bill Elwell (Northville class of 1963) noted that the 1962 team—a team he played on—went 20-0. The only loss the '62 Mustangs suffered was against eventual state champions River Rouge in the Class B semifinals.

To tie the record Northville has to make it through four more regular-season contests and the WLAA tournament.

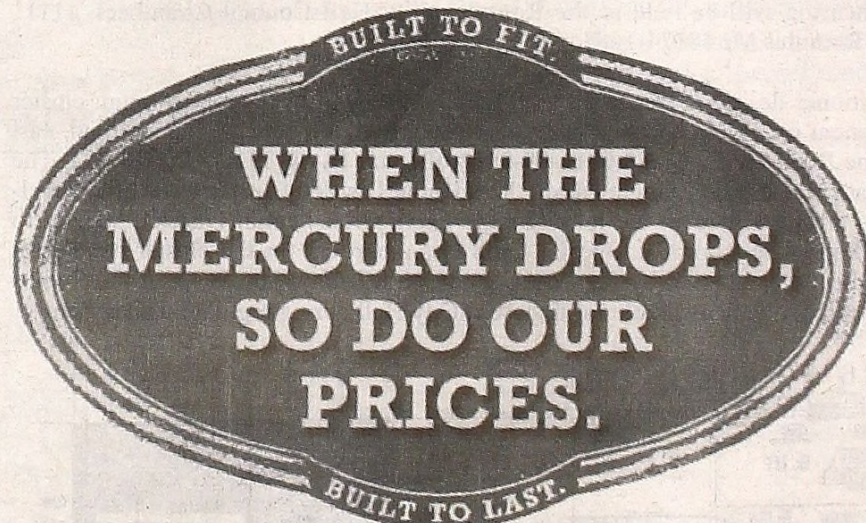
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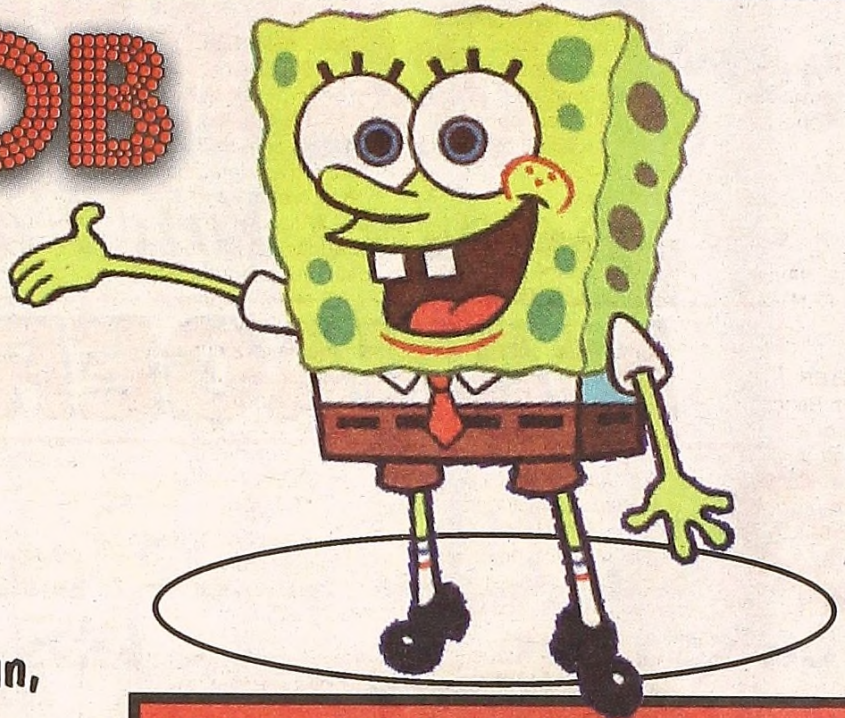
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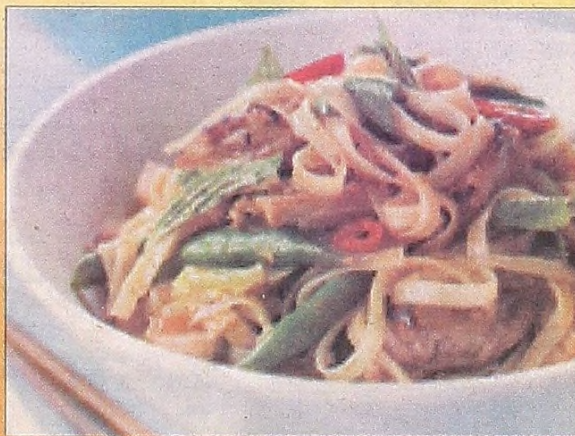


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Amount Due at Signing: \$83.00	Amount Due at Signing: \$1120.00

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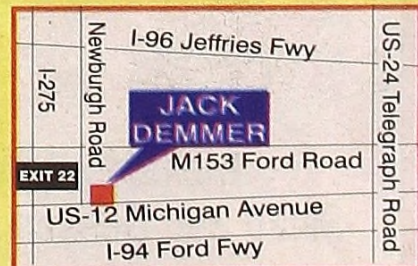


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